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To: Political Political Secretary, House Taxation Rm 451

Re: SB 418

Sen. Dan Weinberg, Revise distribution of lodging facility use taxes

9am Hearing, March 27th

I would like this letter to be placed in the record in support of SB 418 since I cannot attend and testify before the House Taxation Committee meeting on March 27, 2007 when this bill will be heard.

Please Support SB 418 to revise the distribution of lodging facility use taxes.

This is an administrative rule change and the bill requests to have the zoning jurisdiction as one of the bed tax collection entities.

Resort areas do not always neatly reside within the city limits across our state.

The passage of this bill will help communities work cooperatively and in tandem for the same goal to improve tourism and the local economy.

The properties within the community can combine their bed tax funds and collaborate on joint marketing efforts that they all benefit from.

It just makes sense.

i respectfully ask that you approve SB 418.

Thank you.

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Whitefish Convention & Visitors Bureau, Chair

Cc: Rep. Bob Lake

Senator Dan Weinberg